

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY JIDDA PRIORITY

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TAGS:BEXP, SA

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: MINISTRY OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
--- SWITCHING CONTRACT

1. COMMERCE HAS HAD SEVERAL INQUIRIES FROM INDUSTRY IN  
PAST WEEK INDICATING THAT TENDER MAY HAVE BEEN ISSUED BY  
MINISTRY OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR 300 MILLION DOLLARS

SWITCHING CONTRACT. THIS IS MOST LIKELY PART OF ONE  
BILLION DOLLAR DOMESTIC BACKBONE PROJECT. PREQUALIFICA-  
TION DEADLINE POSSIBLY NOVEMBER 15.

2. EMBASSY REQUESTED CONFIRM DEADLINE ON PRIORITY BASIS.  
ALSO PROVIDE ANY AVAILABLE INFO ON STATUS OF TOTAL BACK-  
BONE PROJECT. KISSINGER

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